SATURDAY ... DECEMBER 22, 1900.

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should be addressed to "THE FREE LANCE,"

Richmond, Fredericksburg & Potomac Railroad.

Scheoole in effect Nov. 25th, 1900. Leave Northward.

5.40 A. M. daily, no local stops. 7.12 A. M. daily, no local stops. - 10.13 A. M. Sundays only, stops at Brooke and Wide Water. - 10.40 A. M. saily except Sunday, no local tops, 1.38 P. M. daily except Sunday, no local

atops.
T.47 P. M. daily. No local stops.
9.86 P. M. daily. Stops at Brooke and Wide Leave Southward.

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3.28 A. M. daily, Atlantic Coast Line train.
Stope at Milfora, Josewilland Ashland, week
days. All local stops on Sundays.
12.32 P. M. daily, Seaboard Air Line train,
via S. A. L. Junction. Arrive at C. C. Broad
treet station, Richmond.
1.34 P. M. Daily except Sunday. Stops at
Milford, Doswell and Ashland.
4.46 P. M. Daily Atlantic Coast Line train,
stops at Doswell and ashland.
5.32 P. M. daily, Seaboard Air Line train,
via S. A. L. Junction. Arrive at C. C. Broad
street station, Richmond.

Mr. David Forbes left Thursday for
Philadelphia, where he will spend the
Xmas with friends.

Mr. M. O. Thompson, of Baltimore,
is spending the Christmas with his
father's family here.

Mr. J. A. Evans, of Onville, Stafford
county, was in the city Thursday making Xmas purchases

Mr. J. T. Thoraton, of Port Royal,
was a read the callers at The Free

Accommodation trains, Daily except Sunday.

W. P. Taylor, Traffic Manager. S. T. D. Myers, President.

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" -OR-ISAAC HIRSH. Secretary.

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Two Fires==

THE RESIDENCE OF MR. JOHN WESBY OF SPOTSYLVANIA COUNTY. WAS DESTROYED BY FIRE SATURDAY.

No insurance -- Fredericksburg Star of several inches. Barn, tenement house, corn cribs etc., on the farm of Mrs. M. A. Downman, in Spotsylvania County, were destroyed by fire Sunday night. In surance, \$550 .- FREE LANCE.

MORAL -- Insure Your Property. Rowlett & Goolrick,

Fire and Life Insurance Agents, Fredericksburg, Va.

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By last Steamer Nice lot Banannas, Eating Pears, Fine Eating Apples. Also S. C. Thomas' Celebrated Red Skin Tomstoes and Corp. Wholesale.

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Before buying your Christmas Liquors come and look at my stock. I have 19 Bracds of WHISKIES, smong them are STAR A. \$2.06 per gai on. Indian Hill, \$2.00, Jefferson County Keutucky Old, \$2.00 Applewood, \$2.00. Tennessee Rye, \$2.00. Noison County Kentucky, \$2.00 Bourbon Rye, \$1.50, Hyper Ten Rye, \$1.40.

My Brands of APPLE BRANDY are the finest on the MARKET at from \$3.50 to \$1.00

I HAVE WINES OF ALL VASIETIES.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrap has been used for over fifty years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect snooses. It soothes the child, softens the gams, allays all pains, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. It will relieve the poor little sufferer im mediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents a cottle. Be sure and ask for 'Mrs a cottle. Be sure and ask for 'Mrs a cottle. See sure and ask for 'Mrs a cottle. See sure and ask for 'Mrs a cottle. Be sure and ask for 'Mrs a cottle. Be sure and ask for 'Mrs a cottle. The companies of the conducted by Rev. A. December 30th, conducted by Rev. A. T. Lynn All are invited to be present.

DEPOSITS SOLICITED,

Local and Current Comments.

Miss Eva V. Cox, of the county, is visiting friends in Washington. Miss Lucy Hays, of Richmond, is visiting relatives in Baltimore. Mr. C. O'Conor Goolrick was in

Richmond yesterday on business. Mr. James L Rawlings, of the county, was in the city Thursday on business.

ful and acceptable Christmas presents. Open every night.

Mr. J. T. Thornton, of Port Royal, was among the callers at The Free

Lance office Thursday. Mrs. Willie Rhodes Hicks left yesterday morning for Scranton, Pa., to visit relatives for several weeks.

Dr C. C. Broaddus, of Bowling Green, died this week at the assylum, where he had been for some time

Randall Montague, a colored man, of Brooke, lost his pocketbook here yesterday containing \$24 Messrs, W. S. Allen and Isaac Allen,

of King George, were in the city Thursday making Xmas purchases. Capt W. B Warner and wife, of Spotsylvania, were in the city Thurs

day buying good things for Xmas. Miss Janet Wright, of Tappahanno'k, who has been the guest of Miss Fannie Tucker Carmichael, has returned home

Fredericksburg College, is spending Xmas at her home in Culpeper county. Miss Ethel Newbill, a student of Southern Seminary, Bowling Green, is spending Xmas at her home in Essex.

Messrs J. N. and E. O. Peed and Miss Nannie Peed, of King George, were in the city Thursday shopping. Miss Marian Higgins, one of the teachers of the College, left yesterday for her home in Accomac to spend

Cadet Eugene Robinson, of the V. P. I., Blacksburg passed through this city Thursday en toute to his home in Essex

Miss Jeanette K Grieg, of the College, left yesterday for her home in New York, where she will spend the Mrs J Blake Chew, of Haymarket,

Va., who has been the goest of her sister, Mrs. Jno. T. Goolrick, has re-Misses Carmen and Christine Mora A Contrast. left by boat Thursday for Richmond county, where they will spend Xmes with friends.

dolph Howard as

dry night at her home here, and was buried yesterday, Rev. J. P. Stump conducting the services. Mr. Myers Oldham, a student at the

University College of Medicine in Richmond, is spending Xmis with relatives in Richmond county.

Rev. Richard Bagby, the paster of the Christian church at Bowling Green, is quite sick at the home of his father, Capt. Bagby, in Tappahannock.

Mr W D Scott, Jr., a medical stu-dent at the University of Maryland, is spending the Xmas holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W.D. Scott Mr J. T. Coates, who is attending

the Theological Seminary at Princeton, N. J., is spending the holidays with his brotner, Capt. W. F. Coates, of this city.

Messrs Jas O and R A Peed, of King George, have returned home from Richmond where they graduated this week at the Massie Business college

The ladies and gentlemen who are to participate in the Virginia Reel at the Oolonial Assembly on the 27th inst., rehearsed at the Opera House Thursday

graphs made to remember your friends with this Xmas. You can have them

NATIONAL BANK,

All Correspondence Promptly Answered in sealed Envelopes.

Handsome Lithographed Check Books presented to each Customer.

Merchants' Business Cards placed on their Checks.

BANK OPEN FROM 9 A. M. TO 6 P. M.

Dr. F. W. Stiff and family, of Richmond, Va, and Mrs. W. H. Street, took steamer here Thursday to spend the heliday season at Mrs. Stiff's parental home near Centre Oross, Essex county. Dr. Stiff and two little daughters will first stop off for a visit to the Doctor's parental home at Oak Grove, Westmoreland county.

Professor Ferrero has been instruct-

ing the juveniles and older people, too, on the streets this week with a collection

to New York this week, to fill private orders for Christmas in that city, ten bronze turkey gobblers, the aggregate weight of which was over 300 pounds

Each turkey weighed over 30 pounds. Dr. Robinson passed through this city Tuesday en route to his home in Tappahannock from Richmond, where he went to attend the meeting of the State Board of Medical Examiners, of which he is a member.

Rev. W. F. Dunaway, recently of Middleburg, is the guest of Mr. G. K. Pickett, in Fairfax, and is on his way

to his new charge in Lancaster county.

—Alex. Gazette, Messrs Hurrison and Carter Welford, students of the College, left by boat Thursday for their home in Richmond county, to spend the holidays,

Commonwealth's Attorney Lee J. Graves, of the county, was in the city Thursday. Mr. Jas. W Graves, of Richmond, was in the city on Thursday and a caller at The Free Lance office.

ty, is the guest of her cousin, Miss N L. Cowardin, in Richmond. Mrs Alexander Potts, of New York, is the guest of her daugher, Mrs. W. O.

Miss Natalie Burruss, of Orange coun

CITY COUNCIL.

Miss Sue Lightfoot, a student of the redericksburg College, is spending than ther home in Culpeper county.

SEWERAGE—ELECTION OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF WATER WORKS AND GAS WORKS.

The Gas Supply Discussed.

The December meeting of the City Council was held Thursday night, Mayor Willis in the chair and Council-men Cole, Wroten, Bradley, Embrey, Rowe, McCracken, Bradford, Perry and

Ohancellor present

Mr. Cole presented bill of Dr. J. E.
Tompkins f.r \$12 for services in attending John Lewis, a negro, who was shot some time since. It was ordered Mr. Embrey stated that advertise-

ments for bids for sewerage had been Prof T. H. Thompson, of the College, left this morning for Winchester, where he will spend the Christmas racts are made the work will be com-

Mr. R. we, of Orpinance presented an ordinance making utilicers. C. A. Gore, W. N. Tanstil, J. H. Robinson and W. R. Hall constables, at the will of the Each one is required to give and in the sum of \$2,000, as required

by law.

Mr. Cole stated that Mrs. Margaret V. King, a pensioner of the U. S. Govern-ment, who had an income of \$96, was an iumate of the Alms House here, and asked that her committee be required to pay board, that she was in no scuse a pauper and should not be supported at the expense of the city.

morning at 6 o'clock, and for hours it continued to fall, attaining the depth of several inches.

Dr. Myers Eckenrode, a dental student at the University of Maryland, is spending the Xmas holidays at his home in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Smith, of King George, spent Wednesday and Thursday in the city, the guests of Mr. A Bandolph Howard and family.

Dorted at the expense of the city.

Mr. Bradley, of Alms House, and who is also committee for Mrs. King, stated that the sum of \$4 per month had been paid by him for her board since July 1st last, and that it would be continued—that the balance of her income is devoted to clothing and necessary expenses outside—that Mrs. King had been adjudged by the courts incompetent to attend to her own affairs and had been adjudged by the courts incompetent to attend to her own affairs and had been adjudged by the courts incompetent to attend to her own affairs and had been adjudged by the courts incompetent to attend to her own affairs and had been adjudged by the courts incompetent to attend to her own affairs and had been adjudged by the courts incompetent to attend to her own affairs and had been adjudged by the courts incompetent to attend to her own affairs and that it would be continued—that the balance of her incompetent to attend to her own affairs. medically the guests of Mr. A. Ranlolph Howard and family.

Mrs. Lavinia Stevens died Wednesity night at her home here, and was
uried yesterday. Rev. J. P. Stump
onducting the services.

Mr. Myers Oldham, a student at the ceased; that if the Council was satis-

for her clothing and her other expenses.

Mr. Cole then moved, and it was adopted, that Committee Bradley should pay into the treasury each mouth \$5, and the Alms House Committee pay for mot only her board, but her clothing.

Mayor Willis reported \$37 as fines for

present month
On motion of Mr. Chancellor the salary of sopt, of Water Works for the coming year was fixed at \$900, the same as last year.
Oapt. S. J. Quinn was unanimously alloged.

Mr. McCracken moved that the Supt. of Gas Works be elected for the coming year. He stated that he did not intend to ask for an increase of salary of Supt Fitzpatrick but that he deserved more money for his services, and made a Fitzpatrick but that he deserved more money for his services, and made a comparison to the amount of work required of the two officers, Supt. of water Works and Supt. of Gas Works and claimed that the duties of the Supt. of Gas Works were the most arduous.

Mr. Bradford moved that the salary be fixed at \$900. It was \$750 last year.

This was vigorously opposed by Mr. Cols.

CHARGE HERE

He Accepts a call to Ohto.

Rev. S. H. Forrer, who has been pastor of the Christian church here for several years, has reeigned his charge to accept a call to Banay like and the station as Mr. Forrer is very popular in the community. He will assume his new duties about Jaouary list.

The church here is considering the matter of a successor to Mr. Forrer and has two ministers in view, one of whom will probably be called in a short time

For Over Firty Yaar.

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sary improvements so far as their appropriation would allow at once.

Mr Bradley stated that at the request of a number of business men and other citizens he called the attention of the Council to the poor gas and limited supply now being furnished by the City Gas Works; that in many stores and private houses coal oil and gasoline lamps were used on occount of inadequate light; that with high priced Superintendents, coal, which was pronounced A I and well paid employees, our people were entitled to the best of gas and plenty of it.

NEGOTIABLE PAPER DISCOUNTED

Mr. Cole said he was pleased to have the question brought up. That he had been asked on all sides why there was a short supply and poor gas. The fault was somewhere and the cause should be

Mr. Embrey was very emphatic in his denunciations of the gas need and the sapply. He said it is better to close up the gas works than to give the service now rendered.

Mr. James L Rawlings, of the county, was in the city Thursday on business.

Dr. C. G. Williams, of Middleburg, Fla., is visiting relatives in Essex county.

Mr. Rufus King, of Cincinnati, O. is the guest of his mother, Mrs. Anna C. King.

Rev. C. N. Tyndell will presch at Trinity church at 11 o'clock Sunday morning.

Mr. W. L. Slaughter arrived here Thursday and will spend Xmas with his family.

Go to the T. N. Brent store for useful and acceptable Christmas presents.

Open every night.

Ing the juveniles and older people, too, on the streets this week with a collection of trained rate and mice which perform a number of remarkable tricks. The professor was also smusing and prompt in handing around the hat at regular intervals.

Mr. Frank L. Costenbader, of Potomac Mills, Westmoreland county, who is a student of dentistry and medicine at the University College of Medicine at the University Coll Mr. McCracken made a lengthy de-

This was seconded by Mr. Rowe in order to get the question before the body, and it was lost, every member voting against it except Mr. Cole, Mr. Cole then moved that the supply furnished the manufacturing establish-ments be cut off, but this met with

such a storm of noes that it was not The Council then adjourned.

Valuable Bridgewater Mills,

Including its City Property, Mill Property and all Buildings thereon and Appurtenances thereto for Sale

In pursuance of a decree in the chancery cause of Knickerbocker Trust Co., vs Bridgewater Mills and Merchants and Mechanics Building and Loan Association, made by the Corporation court of Fredericksburg, Va., on Deember 13, 1900, the undersigned special commissioners will, as therein directed, proceed to sell at public auction in front f the auction rooms of James Roach, auctioneer, in Fredericksburg, Va., on

Saturday, January 26, 1901,

AT 13 O'CLOCK, M., that valuable and desirable mill and

mill property known as THE BRIDGEWATER MILLS,

estimated to contain some fifteen acres of land, more or less, about one-half mile northwesterly from Fredericksburg. Va , together with all mills, elevators, office, stables, shops, millers' houses and all other buildings or tenements annexed or used as appurtenant to said annexed or used as appurtenant to said mills, and all water rights and rights of water power developed on the said property and appurtenant thereto, including the right to 40 \(\frac{1}{2} \) cubic feet of water per second to be furnished at said Mills by the Fredericksburg Water Power Co., also all canals flumes, ways, apparatus and fixtures of all kinds used in or about the same, and all other rights appurtenant to said mills rights appurtenant to said mills together with about three screes of land, more or less, near to or adjoining the Amaret Farm, also all franchises, privileges and brands; also the

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and outbuildings situated on the south-west corner of Charles and Amelia s reets in Fredericksburg, Va., with the lot on which they stand, fronting 58½ feet on Charles and 132 feet on

Amelia streets Also all the personal property, water power, water rights, machinery and fixtures which formerly belonged to the

As per decree "cash sufficient to pay the costs of this suit and the expense of executing this trust and for a sun of executing this trust and for a sum sufficient to pay the principal and in terest of debts reported by Commissioner Berry (\$5 601.13 with interest on princi-pal sum. \$6 555.13 from Nov. 14, 1900), and as to any surplus upon such terms as to cash or credit as the Bridgewater Mills may indicate, and in the absence of any indication on the part of said Bridgewater Mills, the whole purchase

money shall be cash."

Bond required of said Commissioners in the penalty of \$10,000 conditional

The entire preparty will be sold as a whole. SF. GEO. R. FITZHUGH. ALVIN T EMBREY, WM. D. OARTER

Special Commissioners.

Fine Chocolates,
T. James P. Oorbin, Clerk of the said
court, do certify that the bond required
of the Special Commissioners by the
decree rendered in said cause on the
12th day of December 1900, has been

13th day of December 1900, has been duly given Given under my hand as Clerk of the said court, this 19th day of December, 1990. JAMES P. CORBIN, Clerk.

Two hundred bushels of potatoes remove eighty pounds of "actual" Potash from the soil. Unless this quantity is returned to the soil, the following crop will materially decrease.



The Mission. Temperance services will be held at the Mission Sunday afternoon at a o'clock and Tuesday and Wednesday nights following. On Christmas the Missio: will be opened from 3 to 9 p. m. for the purpose of pounding the needy poor. Those who cannot attend needy poor. Those who cannot attend are requested to send something for this

worthy cause.

Baggett-Wilkerson.

Miss Maggie Wilkerson and Mr. John W. Baggett, son of Mr. S. I. Baggett, Jr . of Spotsylvanir, were married by Rev. Decatur Edwards at his residence here on Wednesday evening at 6:30,

Want to Attend the Inaugural.

One of the most recent communica-One of the most recent communica-tions received by the Inaugural Com-mittee is from A. O. Walter, president of the Taylor District McKinley and Roosevelt and Rogers Club of Union-ville, Orange county. Mr. Walter says the club wants to take part in the in-angural ceremonies. Its membership includes eighty native-born white Vir-ginia Republicans. "Many," he writes, "are men who served throughout the "are men who served throughout the war under Confederate binners, but at the same time they form a part of the bone and sinew of the Republican party

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Sc. per pound. Tapioca, 95. per package. Corn Starch, 46. Worcestershire Sauce, 56. per bottle. Olives, 10c. per bottle. Concannts, 5c. Maccaroni, 5 and 7c per pkg. Rolled Oats, 10 lbs 25c. Lemons, 8 and

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most goods for your
money. Just think, good
French Candy, worth 10c lb., our
price 6c. We have candles from 6 to
60c lb. Elegant Oream Bon Bons, 121/4c.

A Word to Sunday School

Lowney's Fine Goods. Nuts, large Cluster Raisins, Muscatels, Ourrants, Oitron, Plum Pudding, Mince-Meats, Malaga Grapes. Oranges, Lemons, Occoanuts Prunes, Evap Fruits,

Dressings, Sauces, Catsup, Pine-apple cheese, Preserves, Jelly, Gelatine, Corn Starch, Custard, Apples
Bananas, Pumpkin
Pie, Fruit Cake,
Fancy Cakes, Giant Queen
Olives, Finest Lulla Olive Oil,
Vermont Maple Syrup, Marmalades,

Celery, Cranberries, Flavoring Extracts, Fresh Eggs and Fine Butter. Minnesota Patent and City Mills Flour. Preserved Canton Ginger, Crystalized

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This stylish little Jacket of a surprisingly Good Tar sey Cloth and lined all the with fine Mercerized Linin exceptionally well sewed st

The most astonishing values at \$5 00, sold for 6.75 and 7.50.

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The annual meeting of the Stockholders of Tho Free Lance Newspaper, Book and Job Printing Company, of Fredericksburg, Va., will be held in The Free Lance building in Fredericksburg Va.

Monday, Dec. 31, 1900, at 2 p. m., for the election of a President and Directors and for such oth-business as may lawfully come before in B. J. QUINN. Secretary.

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